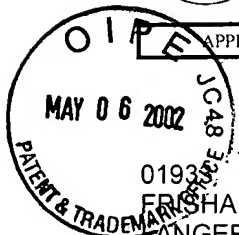


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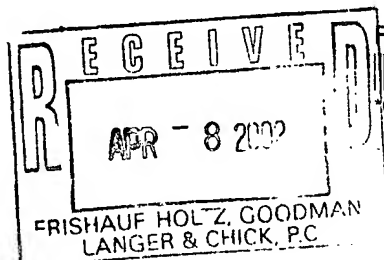
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Responsive to the Patent Office Notice mailed April 4, 2002,
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herewith are the following:

1. Declaration executed by the inventors, referring to the application by Serial Number and filing date, and attached to a complete copy of the Japanese application (including drawings), as filed.
2. Accurate English Translation of the above-identified application (37 pages), referring to the application by Serial Number and filing date, together with a complete set of formal drawings - 4 sheets, Figs. 1-8.

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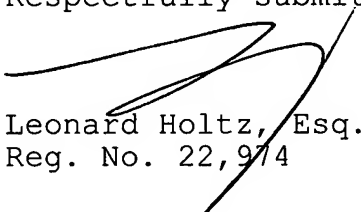
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A check for \$130.00 is enclosed to cover the Patent Office fee for submission of the signed Declaration.

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It is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits now proceed.

Respectfully submitted,


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